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## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jim Morrison at 1:34 p.m. on January 29, 2003 in Room 243-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except Representatives Landwehr, Neighbor, Long, and Kirk, all of whom were excused.

Committee staff present:

Bill Wolff, Legislative Research Department Renae Jefferies, Revisor of Statutes' Office Gary Deeter, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Penny Keelan Bowie, Executive Director, Kansas Board of Examiners in Optometry.

Others attending: See Guest List.

The Chair announced that the hearing on the Kansas Dental Association temporary license bill, though it had not yet been assigned a number, would occur Thursday, February 6. He reminded the Committee that a staff briefing on bills would always precede a hearing by one day. He requested that Representatives Patterson and Hill consult with staff Renae Jefferies in preparation for leading the bill hearing.

A motion was properly made and seconded to approve the minutes for the January 27 meeting.

The Chair welcomed Penny Bowie, Executive Director, Kansas Board of Examiners in Optometry, who requested the Committee sponsor a bill to change K.S.A. 65-1505 and 65-1509 to allow an increase in the limits of fees that the Board collects, to change license renewal from annually to biannually, and to add an inactive license status. (Attachment 1) A motion was properly made and seconded to sponsor the legislation.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 30, a joint meeting with the Senate Health and Public Welfare Committee in Room 231-N.